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In re Application of: ) Art Unit:  
GOMBERT et al. ) Examiner:  
Appln. No.: 09/883,361 ) Washington, D.C.  
Filing Date: June 19, 2001 ) August 10, 2001  
For: INPUT DEVICE FOR COMMANDING )  
CONTROL OPERATIONS FOR )

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, kindly amend the above-identified  
application as follows:

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IN THE CLAIMS

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Cancel claims 19-26 and replace with the following new claims  
27-38:

27.(New) A method of controlling a machine- or computer-  
controllable object simulating an object or animate being moving  
inherently and/or totally, the object having a plurality of  
individually movable parts, using the input device of claim 1,  
said method comprising manually operating said input device in  
order to control the kinematics of at least one of the parts of  
the object.

28.(New) The method of claim 27 wherein the computer-  
controllable object simulates an animate being and the parts of

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